

Where Crashes Occurred

Where	Fatal Crashes	*Percent Change	Total Crashes	*Percent Change
Interstate Highways	48	+33.33%	2,932	+14.31%
U.S. Highways	62	-17.33%	5,633	+3.97%
Secondary Routes	70	+27.27%	7,746	+5.32%
County Roads	44	+37.5%	3,064	+5.87%
Local Streets	7	+133.33%	3,970	+6.69%
Private	1	+100%	184	+13.58%
Total	232	+15.42%	23,529	+6.39%

* Percent change is the percent increase (+) or decrease (-) from the previous year.

Crashes investigated by

Highway Patrol	49%
Other Agencies	51%

Male	21,063
Female	14,608
<u>Not Stated</u>	<u>3,105</u>
Total	38,776

Drivers Involved

Seat Belt usage Rates *

Year	Interstate	Primary	City	Other	All Roads
1998	88.30%	78.10%	54.00%	63.50%	73.10%
1999	89.10%	78.90%	55.30%	65.00%	74.00%
2000	91.30%	79.50%	58.30%	65.50%	75.60%
2001	92.50%	79.60%	59.70%	65.80%	76.30%
2002	94.30%	82.50%	60.80%	69.70%	78.40%

* Source: Traffic safety bureau, MT. Dept. of Transportation